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## REMARKS

The specification has been amended to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.8211.825. Specifically, sequence identifiers have been to the specification at pages 24 and 30 to
accompany the sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide
sequences as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821(a)(1). Although these sequences were not identified by
a SEQ ID NO in the specification, they were part of the Sequence Listing filed with the United
States Patent and Trademark Office on July 23, 2004. Therefore, a substitute computer readable
form (CRF) copy and a substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" are not required. No
new matter has been added by this amendment.

## CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted.

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